

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
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Resolution No. 625-31 (LS)

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Relative to commending and congratulating Francisco Lizama on being awarded the title of “*Master Blacksmith*” by the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUAHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Francisco Lizama, affectionately known as “Corn Beef”, is a
4 proud son of Guam who attended Father Dueñas High School and entered military
5 service after graduating from high school; and he went on to receive his Bachelor of
6 Arts degree from the University of Guam; and

7 **WHEREAS**, concurrent to his service, Mr. Lizama had engaged in activities to
8 serve the community, not the least of which are his contributions to public safety and
9 community development; and

1 **WHEREAS**, alongside such contributions, Mr. Lizama has represented the
2 people of Guam in the rare practice of blacksmithing, having studied as an apprentice
3 under Mr. Jack Lujan; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Lizama has been a vital force in showcasing the best of the
5 *Chamorro* traditions and culture to the island’s visitors through his work; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Lizama has proven his dedication and commitment to
7 keeping the island’s tradition alive through mentoring and financially supporting
8 apprentices in the art of blacksmithing; and

9 **WHEREAS**, some of Mr. Lizama’s contributions to keeping the *Chamorro*
10 cultural tradition alive include hosting an apprenticeship program for the youth of the
11 *Hurão* Academy; mentoring adult apprentices; hosting exhibits for various local and
12 off-island cultural events, such as the Festival of Pacific Arts and the Guam-
13 Micronesia Island Fair; and hosting exhibits and educational demonstrations for
14 schools across Guam; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Lizama’s nomination has been recommended by apprentices
16 and other practitioners alike, along with esteemed institutions as varied as the *Hurão*
17 Academy, the Guam Visitors Bureau, the Saint Francis Catholic School, and The
18 Home Depot, with his accomplishments being recognized by organizations such as the
19 Flame Tree Arts Festival, the Infiniti Art Gallery Series, the Liberation Day Festivities
20 Executive Committee, and the *Chamorro* Cultural Village; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Lizama has been recognized as a Goodwill Ambassador for
22 the Arts by the Office of the Governor of Guam; now therefore, be it

23 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby,
24 on behalf of the people of Guam, commend and congratulate Mr. Francisco “Corn
25 Beef” Lizama on being awarded the title of “*Master Blacksmith*” by the Guam
26 Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency; and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
2 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr.
3 Francisco Lizama; to Mr. Joseph Artero Cameron, President, Guam Council on the
4 Arts and Humanities Agency; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'lahen*
5 *Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 26TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2012.



BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Acting Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary